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#### **Friends of Parks of Lakeway**

Submitted by: Jim Dunn, Chairman of Lakeway Friends of the Parks.

#### THE FRIENDS OF THE PARKS OF LAKEWAY ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2019. THE MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

The Friends of the Parks (FOP) Annual Membership Meeting will be held at the Lakeway Activity Center, 105 Cross Creek, Lakeway TX 78734. The program will begin with Registration at 6 p.m., a BBQ dinner will be served at 6:30. Following the dinner there will be business meeting at 7:00 and guest speaker at 7:30. The dinner is free for paid up members and \$10 for non-members. The annual membership of \$15 per family can be paid at registration. You must make a reservation for the BBQ by Tuesday, January 23, 2019 by contacting Bernie Reding at 512-261-5633 or countyboy@aol.com.

Andy and Julia Balinsky will be the speakers this year. Their topic is the maintenance and care of Purple Martin roosting habitat. The Balinskys have participated in a video about Purple Martins produced for PBS. They have made presentation for the Travis Audubon Society regarding the roosting habits of the Purple Martins. Andy and Julia have managed the Purple Martin colony at Hornsby Bend since 2002, having fledged around 1700 birds.

Friends of the Parks is an all-volunteer 501(C)(3) non-profit organization of men and women that build and maintain trails and gardens in the Cityl's Parks and Greenbelts. Workdays are held the 2nd Saturday of the month (excluding June-August). The volunteer workdays begin at 8:00 and end at approximately 11:45 a.m. A picnic lunch is provided at the City Park Pavilion following each workday. FOP also holds its Annual Wilderness Fun Run/ Walk at Hamilton Greenbelt in mid-April.

Come join your neighbors in the great outdoors and help improve the parks and greenbelts for walking, hiking, jogging and biking.



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## Mayor Recaps 2018 and Projects 2019

#### HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

I hope that you had a wonderful time with family and friends over the holidays. January is always a time of personal reflection for me. I look back at the achievements of the past year and then look forward to the coming year to set my goals.

As I reflect upon these last seven months of being your Mayor, I am pleased with the progress that we have made. This includes:

• We have increased the transparency and engagement with the Lakeway community through town hall meetings, surveys, newsletters, and blogs. This includes "The Lake Way" newsletter that is published weekly.

• We appointed over 75 people to the City boards, committees and commissions. Approximately 40 were first-time appointments. These committees are the voice of our community.

• We conducted eight town halls and working sessions, and completed a survey to determine how the community feels about several topics.

• The City Council was able to keep taxes unchanged from the previous year, yet were able to increase our fund balance ratio to 30%, fund our fleet management plan, add 2 positions, and include six months of operating expenses for the new police station.

As I look toward the goals for the coming year, I can look forward to many things. The Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee has begun its work to devise the vision and plan for Lakeway over the next 20 years. This plan is extremely important for our community as we determine what our residents need and want for our community so that we build a plan that can deliver those new amenities all while keeping taxes in check. I expect this work will take 12-18 months to complete.

As more people move to our area, the traffic conditions continue to worsen. We are currently working with Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to create plans to improve the safety on RM 620 before the widening project in 2022. We are changing the striping on Flint Rock Road at RM 620 to improve the traffic flow (the middle lane will be left-straight-right and the right lane will be right turn only); studying the southbound RM 620 temporary lane at Lohmans Crossing versus a right turn only at the light; and modeling medians on RM 620 between Lohmans Crossing and Lakeway Boulevard. Additionally, we are working to increase the connectivity of our internal roads to create alternate routes from 620. From my discussions with TxDOT I have learned that arterial road connectivity is paramount to solving our traffic congestion problems. We have also begun conversations with Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) to address the 2040 transportation needs. However, we cannot lose sight that Lakeway is a resort-style town not a thoroughfare. We will be including aesthetic improvements, sidewalks/trails and bike lanes to keep the essence of our community.

We will continue to provide support to our new businesses and residents. Many ordinances have been revised to remove onerous or out-dated requirements. Our permitting process has started reviewing cycle time metrics and improving the processes. This process has also become electronic. Permit requests and associated documents can now be submitted online at any time of the day. This allows the applicant to see the progress of the submittal, reduce costly paper copies, and adds the convenience of submitting them from anywhere at any time. We are also in discussions with CAMPO about piloting a ferry service from Lago Vista to more efficiently bring workers to and from our area. And, we are working with the City of Bee Cave, Village of the Hills, Lake Travis Chamber of Commerce and Bee Cave Chamber of Commerce to study our area needs and work with our businesses to identify solutions to meet these needs.

We have made great progress in the last seven months, but there is still much work to be done. We need to continue to measure and improve our City processes by instilling a continuous improvement methodologies. This includes revising ordinances and measuring our customer service. We must be diligent in devising and implementing traffic safety and connectivity improvements for our area. The City will need your support to achieve these improvements when we ask you to approve a transportation bond. We need to support the Comprehensive Planning Committee as they identify how we evolve our community over the next 20 years. And, we will continue to find ways to improve our communication and increase dialog with our community. Have a happy New Year!



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#### RESOLVE TO HELP OTHERS BY DONATING AT LAKEWAY BLOOD DRIVE

Start 2019 by helping others and making yourself feel good at the next Lakeway Community Blood Drive from 8 a.m. to noon Jan. 19 at the Lakeway Activity Center, 105 Cross Creek.

Donate blood and help save lives not only in January but also on March 16, May 11, July 20, Sept. 21, and Nov. 16, 2019.

We Are Blood dedicates blood from all community drives for use in the 10-county area surrounding Travis County. All those who come out to donate will know that they are helping others – and maybe saving a life.

Organizers give prospective donors with appointments priority during the donation process. Walk-ins are always welcome, too.

To schedule an appointment or for information, contact the coordinators at lakewaycommunityblooddrive@gmail.com or visit www.wrbdonor.org and search for Group Code A197.

The We Are Blood website also includes useful information regarding eligibility and answers to other frequently asked questions. For example, if you have cold or flu symptoms, wait until you have felt well for at least one day before donating. Or, if you are taking antibiotics for an infection, wait until one day after completion of the antibiotic prescription and no symptoms of infection remain.

To be eligible, donors need to be in good health, at least 17 years old and weigh 115 pounds or more for whole blood donations. Photo identification is required. Organizers recommend that donors eat a good meal and drink plenty of liquids before donating.

### Lakeway's Brown Bag concert series enters 18th year

The City of Lakeway Arts Committee invites the community to bring their lunches and dine while listening to free live music at the Brown Bag Luncheon Concert Series.

The weekly concerts are from noon-1 p.m. every Thursday in January and February at the Lakeway Activity Center, 105 Cross Creek. They are open to everyone; no reservations or tickets are required. Plenty of table seating is available.

"Mark your calendars, pack your lunch, and prepare to be entertained," said Janet Wright, Lakeway Arts Committee chair.

The lineup for the 2019 series is:

**Jan. 10**-Venues like Donn's Depot in Austin regularly get a rockin' performance from Frank Cavitt on piano and vocals. Cavitt and the quartet captivate audiences with their honky-tonk style.

**Jan. 17**-The Robert Skiles Quartet will present a musical valentine. Vocalist Shawnda Birch will be featured as they present popular songs with a taste of blues. Skiles is renowned as an orchestra leader, composer, and college teacher.

**Jan. 24**-TexARTS students continue to amaze audiences with their exceptional talent in musical theater productions.

Matt Wilson will have everyone rockin' to entertaining storytelling in *(Continued on Page 6)* 



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music. Wilson is a consummate musician and vocalist, having gained national exposure wowing sold-out audiences as the "Piano Man" in the First National Tour of the Billy Joel Tony-award winning musical, "Movin' Out."

**Jan. 31**-The Danny Britt Trio was well received in 2018. The Trio on guitar, along with mandolin, bass and vocals will play rousing country and bluegrass tunes for all to enjoy.

**Feb.** 7-The Lake Travis Fiddlers, founded in 2000 by Lake Travis ISD Orchestra Director Anna Macias, are continuing to gain national recognition. They perform in a wide variety of Texas venues and are a hit in greater Lakeway. These fiddlers and singers present toe-tapping country and folk music.

**Feb. 14**-The David Cummings Band brings romantic, popular standards to the stage for this special Valentine's Day performance. Bring your sweetheart, best friends and dancing shoes.

**Feb. 21**-Pianist Red Young has had a spectacular musical career, including recordings with Dolly Parton, Tanya Tucker, Linda Rondstadt, Eric Burdon, and Nelson Riddle as well as concert tours around the world. The Red Young Quartet will feature Young's wife, vocalist Silvie Rider, in this concert.

**Feb. 28**-Get ready for Mardi Gras as The Second Line Jazz Band returns again to Lakeway. They have performed in concerts sponsored by the Austin Traditional Jazz Society and at various festivals.



### Out with the old household hazardous waste at Lake Travis collection event

Start the New Year by dropping off your unwanted paint, cleaners, and other household hazardous waste materials at the Lake Travis Regional Re-Use and Recycling Center from 9 a.m.-noon Jan. 23.

The center is at 3207 Neidhardt Drive, just off General Williamson Drive behind Lake Travis Fire Rescue Station 601.

The collection event is free and open to residents and utility customers. To drop off items, a resident or customer must present a driver's license or utility bill with an address in the jurisdictional boundaries of: the cities of Lakeway or Bee Cave, Village of The Hills, Hurst Creek Municipal Utility District, Lakeway MUD, or Water Control and Improvement District (WCID) No. 17.

"Our January collection event is the perfect opportunity to clear out all of your household hazardous waste that has piled up over the holidays," LTRRRC spokeswoman Julie Oakley said.

Household hazardous waste items are common everyday products that people use in and around their homes that, due to their chemical nature, can be hazardous to the environment and water supply if not correctly disposed.

The center will accept:

• Household products — cleaning products, drain cleaners, oven cleaning solvents, degreasers, polishers, pool chemicals, household batteries, mercury thermometers, gas grill propane tanks;

• Paint products — latex and oil-based paints, spray paints, preservatives, strippers, etc.; or,

• Automotive products — antifreeze, car batteries, oil, oil filters, transmission and brake fluids.

Accepted materials must come in their original containers for transport.

The center will not take:

• Asbestos products — including linoleum tiles containing asbestos from older homes;

- Industrial waste anything from a business;
- Medical waste needles, prescriptions, etc.;
- Ammunition or explosives fireworks, dynamite, etc.;
- Radioactive waste smoke detectors, etc.;

• Compressed gas cylinders, but gas grill propane tanks are accepted.

- Tires;
- Appliances small or large; or,

• Technology products — computers, printers, televisions, speakers, surround sound, other electronic equipment.

The center also has many free used household products including Lake Travis Slate and Hill Country Mocha, two latex paints made at the Lake Travis Regional Re-Use and Recycling Center. Both paints are available to nonprofit organizations for civic projects and the public for individual projects at no charge.

These reuse items are available not only at this event, but also by appointment at Lakeway Public Works at 512-608-9000 or WCID No. 17 at 512-266-1111. *For information, visit www.lakeway-tx.gov/ltrrrc.* 

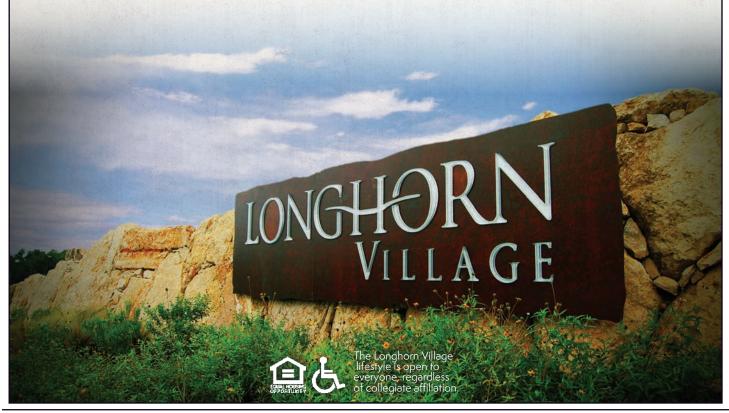
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### **Women's Club of Greater Lakeway**

On Monday, January 28, 2019 the Women's Club of Greater Lakeway will host speaker Whitney Nelson, local representative of The Refuge for Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking (DMST). The Refuge opened in the Austin area in August of 2018. Sex trafficking is happening right under our noses with an estimated 79,000 young adults and minors having been trafficked in the State of Texas alone.

The Refuge for DMST is a nonprofit organization that has developed The Refuge Ranch

as home for up to 48 girls between the ages of 11 and 19 who have been rescued from sex trafficking. The facility provides long-term, on-site therapeutic care for residents as well as a University of Texas Charter School program and a medical clinic with programs designed specifically for the development of child survivors. The Refuge is the largest single long-term, live-in rehabilitation facility in the United States.

Ms. Nelson will speak about the services offered at The Refuge Ranch, facts about the facility, information from studies being conducted by the University of Texas, Austin, participation opportunities and ongoing fundraising efforts. As a member of the Connection Team for The Refuge her goal is to raise awareness of the issue of domestic minor sex trafficking. Ms. Nelson has a strong connection with the bucolic 50 acre parcel on which The Refuge is built since the property was previously owned by her family.

#### **Thank You Neighbors!**

Pat yourselves on the back again, Lakeway area community. Your support for the Green Santa Program at Lakeway Sing Along's 18th annual Christmas Show on December 2nd was amazing! Donated toys stacked four-feet high along an 80-foot wall, together with nearly \$1800 in cash donations, will make Christmas extra special for over 600 children from needy local families.

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#### Spiritual paintings grace Lakeway City Hall Art Gallery



Nature, color, and light combine in a free exhibit of Joan Lawson's paintings at Lakeway City Hall Art Gallery, 1102 Lohmans Crossing.

Lawson's artwork is on display through Jan. 29, 2019 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, excluding holidays.

She expresses her love of nature in her paintings. She finds inspiration in the natural beauty and light of the Texas Hill Country, as well as her travels in the United States and

abroad. Her style ranges from realism to nonrepresentational, depending on how the subject renders itself at the time. She enjoys painting her beautiful surroundings but also likes to express in abstract and figurative form her interpretations of dreams and visions.

"I express my relationship to the universe through my art," Lawson said.

She enjoys the flexibility of acrylics and paints either on canvas or on paper. She loves texture, which she achieves by layering paints, collage papers or found objects. Her use of bold colors and intense contrasts of light and dark produces works that are uniquely dramatic and emotional.

Lawson paints in series, of which her favorites are "Spirit of the Land" and "Vessel Series," some of which are included in the City Hall exhibit.

"Producing works for 'Spirit of the Land' series begins with becoming intimate with the land and receptive to the message spirit is conveying," Lawson explained. "I love to travel and paint my experiences in the form of landscapes. Whenever I visit a place, I immerse myself in the essence of my new environment. Only then can I begin to translate this connectedness into art form. I may produce a landscape, but just as likely, I may produce a human form that has a story to tell, or symbols that convey a message. I never limit myself to any preconceived idea."



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